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Box PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: New U.S. Patent Appln.
 Our Ref: 225/49847

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Focke RASS and Michael KUSENentitled: **VEHICLE LOCK, IN PARTICULAR FOR A TAILGATE DOOR**

Enclosed are:

1. Specification, including 7 claims (pages 1-14, plus specification cover sheet).
2. 1 Sheet of drawings showing Figs. 1 and 2.
3. X Declaration and Power of Attorney (**unexecuted-2 pages**).
4. Priority is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55 based on Priority Document 100 18 560.6, filed in Germany on 14 April 2000.
5. X Information Disclosure Statement.
6. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

Basic Fee				\$355/710 =	\$710.00
Total Claims	<u>7</u>	- 20 =	<u>0</u>	x \$ 9/18 =	\$
Independent Claims	<u>2</u>	- 3 =	<u>0</u>	x \$40/80 =	\$
Multiple Dependent Claim Presented				\$135/270 =	\$
Total Filing Fee					<u>\$710.00</u>

The filing fee is being deferred at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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